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The Chief Executive Officer's March 30, 2012 quarterly report on in-home supportive services (IHSS) anti-fraud plan indicates that the State's trigger cuts for fiscal year 2011-12 resulted in funding reduction from \$10.4 million to \$3.1 million. The report also indicates that the IHSS Front End Verification Review (FEVR) units and one of the two Quality Assurance units were disbanded effective November 1, 2011.

These units were instrumental in conducting desk reviews and home visits to ensure program integrity and fraud detection. These units also identified cases where providers were overpaid by the State as a result of billing for services rendered while the IHSS consumer was hospitalized.

While the Department of Public Social Services has continued to receive overpayment collections from these providers resulting from the terminated Hospital Stay Error Rate Study cases, the disbanding of these units will negatively impact the Department's ability to actively monitor collections, ensure integrity of the program and detect future fraud.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of the Department of Public Social Services to report back in 30 days on the current IHSS anti-fraud staffing level with recommendations on ways the Department can leverage its resources to combat fraud and enhance its anti-fraud investigative methods to capture potential kick-backs by the providers.

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